

MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS:

CLAIMS

1. An igniter comprising a housing; a stop member within said housing; a fuel reservoir within said housing; a nozzle in fluid communication with said reservoir; an actuating assembly within said housing for controlling the supply of fuel from said reservoir to said nozzle and for igniting fuel discharged from said nozzle; and a trigger including a trigger body and a slider coupled to said trigger body, said trigger body moveable between a first position and a second position along a first path, said trigger body operating said actuating assembly when in said second position, said slider moveable along said trigger body between a first position and a second position along a second path different from said first path, said slider having a first portion arranged outside said housing and a second portion arranged inside said housing, said second portion of said slider arranged in interfering relationship with ~~within~~—said stop member when said slider is in said first position whereby said trigger body is precluded from movement from said first position to said second position thereof, and said second portion of said slider being arranged in non-interfering relationship within said stop member when in said second position whereby said trigger body is moveable from said first position to said second position thereof for operating said actuating assembly.

REMARKS

An action on the merits of all claims 1-52 pending in this application is respectfully awaited. If there are any fees to be incurred in connection with this Preliminary Amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he might have.

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